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A PROCESS FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF A PART WITH VERY HIGH

MECHANICAL PROPERTIES, FORMED BY STAMPING OF A STRIP OF ROLLED

STEEL SHEET AND MORE PARTICULARLY HOT ROLLED AND COATED

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 26, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 7 without prejudice or disclaimer.

The claims are amended as follows:

1. (Amended) A process for the manufacture of a part with very high mechanical properties, said part formed by stamping of a strip of rolled steel sheet rolled and coated with a metal or metal alloy ensuring protection of the surface and the steel, said process comprising the steps: